Auxiliary Activities

"Thank You" to all who participated in making our dance a huge success.

Mrs. Sue Krause, Chairman
Mrs. Stella Karalaitis, Aux. Pres.
Mrs. Josephine Vaisus, Co-chairman
Mrs. Pauline Zallys
and members

CHRISTMAS IN APRIL

This Easter — Joy was spread throughout 25 hospitals in Illinois through 500 volunteer workers of all Auxiliaries to over 15,000 hospitalized ex-service men and women with gifts collected from 750 Units. Gifts consisted of tee shirts, handkerchiefs, socks and bill folds. This was the first Easter this was practised.

On April 9th our Rehabilitation Chairman, Mrs. Ann Haverlock with Auxiliary President Mrs. Stella Karalaitis after completing regular sectional work, distributed treats for 215 veterans in Wards G 2 and G 3. Then they visited Post Members now at hospitals, namely: August M. Barcus, William Bakerich, Joseph A. Marger and Raymond Mikalayunas leaving treats and wishing them speedy recoveries.

The next day, April 10th, at the request of Mrs. Helen Zuris, director of the 4th District, Auxiliary President, Mrs. Stella Karalaitis and 1st Vice Pres. Mrs. Mary Miksis were guests at the 4th District Show at Hines Hospital. The usual treats of ice cream and cigarettes were distributed. Our Unit contributed 3 cartons of cigarettes towards this cause.

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Americanism Chairman Mrs. Helen Kareiva reports our Unit won third place in District Americanism Essay contest. Angeline Tornewalo from Kelly High school brought us this honor.

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Community Service Chairman Mrs. Virginia Shimkus reports the Unit purchased two books: "The Lincoln Reader" and "My Three Years With Eisenhower" to be placed in school libraries in memory of boys who lost their lives while in service from this Unit. The books were dedicated to the memories of the sons of Dr. and Mrs. S. Biezis, and Mrs. Mary Deksnis.

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Pan Americanism Chairman Miss Julia Faplauskas introduced at the April meeting a guest Miss Nora Fornacharas who displayed articles from Mexico and countries of South America, which she visited. She also gave a very interesting talk on these countries habits.

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Girls State Chairman Mrs. Martha Lipski reported Junior Pres. Joyce Mason was chosen as Delegate and Junior Mary Kareiva, Secretary as Alternate.

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Welcome to our new members who are: Dolores Langert, Ursula Markunas, and gold star mother Elizabeth Gravas.

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Poppy Chairman Mrs. Irene Pietkiewicz requests all members to attend our next meeting to sign pledge cards for sale of poppies and assignments of corners.

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MEMORIAL POPPIES

The poppies are crepe paper replicas of wild poppies which grow in France and Belgium, where so many of the battles of both wars were fought. They are the replicas of the poppies which grow between the crosses, row on row, from World War I (29 years ago) battle cemeteries, and so become the memorial flower for the war dead. Now a symbolizing memory for those who died for America, on land, sea and in the air in every part of the world of both wars.

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MEETINGS THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH

October 12, 1946

Dear Member:

The regular meeting will be held Wed. eve. Oct. 16, 1946 at The Headquarters, 8:30 P.M. SHARP.

The new President, Stella Karalaitis, and her corp of officers wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your confidence in electing them to their offices.

The success of our Unit depends on the cooperation of each member. We ask you to do your part by attending all meetings and participating in all Unit's events.

MEMBERSHIP--Mary Miksis, Chairman, wishes to remind the members that didn't pay their dues yet to do so if they wish to take advantage of the "Sooner Drive" which ends NOV. 1ST.

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Brange Nare:

Nauja Pirmininkė, Stella Karalaitis, ir jos valdyba nori šia progą padėkoti visoms už pasitikėjimą pavedant mums garbingos valdybos darbą.

Taipki norime priminti kad mažai laiko beliko iki Lap. ld.būti "Pirmutinimis" užsimokėti savo metines duoklės.

Sincerely yours,

Stella Karlaitis, President
7029 S. Artesian Avenue

Frances Cibulskis, Secretary
2052 W. 23rd Street - Canal 8185